



CITY OF PITTSBURGH

Department of Law

William Peduto, Mayor

Celia B. Liss, Open Records Officer

May 9, 2019

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RE: RTK No. 12-02-2019

Dear Ms. Young:

On April 4, 2019, the City of Pittsburgh Open Records Office received your written request for records pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law (RTKL), 65 P.S. §67.101 *et seq.* Your specific request is as follows:

Emails and email attachments that fit ALL of the following criteria:

1. *Sent or received between December 1st, 2018, and the latest possible date (i.e. today's date April 3rd, or the latest possible date available in the email system, as the systems are often up to a month behind)*
2. *Sent by an email address ending in "@adl.org" to any employee of the law enforcement agency to which this request is addressed, OR sent by an employee of the law enforcement agency to which this request is addressed to any "@adl.org" email address and/or any other employee of the town/city in which the law enforcement agency resides*
3. *Containing in the subject line, or body of the message, or attachment one OR more of the following search terms:*
 - a. *'Leadership Seminar'*
 - b. *'Leadership Seminar in Israel: Resilience and Counterterrorism'*
 - c. *'Leadership, Resilience and Counter-Terrorism Seminar'*
 - d. *'NCTS'*
 - e. *'National Counter-Terrorism Seminar'*
 - f. *'Counter-Terrorism Seminar'*
 - g. *'Israel'*

The emails and/or attachments are likely to include, but are not limited to:

- a. *an invitation to participate in the Leadership, Resilience and Counter-Terrorism Seminar in Israel*

- b. a participant roster*
- c. a participant booklet*

Upon investigation, I have determined that the City is not in possession of the requested records and your request is denied in its entirety. To the extent anything requested does not exist, the RTKL instructs that the City is not required to create records which do not currently exist. See 65 P.S. §67.705. Additionally, nothing in the RTKL shall be construed to modify, rescind or supersede any of the City's record retention policies. See 65 P.S. §67.507.

If you feel that any aspect of this response to your request is in error, you may take an appeal by writing to Erik Arneson, Executive Director, Office of Open Records, Commonwealth Keystone Building, 400 North Street, 4th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17120. If you wish to take an appeal, you must do so within fifteen (15) business days of the date of this letter. See 65 P.S. §67.1101.

Sincerely,



Celia B. Liss
Open Records Officer

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